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Renovation, innovation creating more relaxed environment at Kinser messhall

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CAMP KINSER — In an effort to make Marines more comfortable, the Camp Kinser messhall is currently undergoing renovations.

The renovations began because the building was losing structural integrity and a new air conditioning unit and ventilation system was needed.

The present design of the ventilation system prevented proper circulation of air in the messhall.

"The moisture coming from the scultery was fighting with the air conditioning unit causing a lot of moisture in the air which was rotting the wood," said Staff Sgt. Kevin L. Walters, chief messman, Camp Kinser messhall.

Because of the moisture, messhall patrons were being inconvenienced during meals.

"People were sitting at their tables eating and the condensation would fall from the ducts," said Gunnery Sgt. Lloyd J. Brown, Kinser messhall manager. "That's the biggest reason we needed this renovation. When the patrons aren't happy, I'm not happy."

Fortunately for the patrons, the construction company is taking advantage of the cooler months on Okinawa to tear apart the ventilation system and air conditioning. The project is scheduled to be completed by March 30, 2000, according



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One of the innovative changes at the Camp Kinser messhall is the silk plants which give the servicemembers a more pleasant place to dine.

to Brown.

In the meantime, one side of the messhall is closing, enabling the company to renovate. Once completed they will switch sides.

Although the lines are longer and the messhall is using paper trays and plastic silverware during the project, Brown is doing what he can to make it more convenient for Marines and Sailors to get their food.

"The lines are long and the mess deck is cluttered because we have fast food and main line food being served in the area where only fast food is usually served," said Brown. "The mess deck is crowded, but patrons have been taking advantage of the outdoor picnic area more. I have also extended the hours of the sub shop by 30 minutes in the evenings to help shorten lines. That way if someone needs some chow and the line here is long, they

have a little extra time to run up to the sub shop and get a sandwich."

Brown's goal is not only to make meals more convenient during the renovation, but also to make the messhall an overall more enjoyable place to be. With the help of Walters, the messhall is saving big money in several areas, making it possible to spend money on small changes that effect comfort and appearance.

Walters saved the messhall money by getting tables from the Defense Reutilization Marketing Office. Between meals, cooks and messmen put together jigsaw puzzles, which are put on the walls as decoration. Because of the puzzles, there is not a need for framed pictures and paintings that can cost more than \$200 each.

With the money they are saving, the messhall is getting items that make dining there more comfortable. For appearance, silk plants and new uniforms for the cooks have been making the chowhall more eye-pleasing.

A new coat of paint may be on the way as well, according to Brown. He also has several ideas on the horizon waiting to be approved.

"A lot of Marines are only here for a year and I know the kind of routine they get in," said Brown. "They go to work, go to the chow hall and then they go back to the barracks. With all these changes we are making, we are trying to make life here better for these Marines."

Corps discontinues Career Length Issue of equipment



SGT. KEVIN E. HARRIS

Cpl. Chester Alan Timbol, warehouse chief, Supply, H&S Bn., takes an inventory at MCB H&S Bn. here Jan. 18.

Sgt. Kevin E. Harris

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MARINE CORPS AIR STATION FUTENMA — As part of the Business Reform Initiative, active and reserve Marines will no longer be issued Career Length Issue equipment in accordance with the Marine Administrative Message003/200.

The initiative is a Corpswide effort that takes a look at day-to-day business practices in order to find more efficient and effective ways of doing the job.

According to the message, sustaining the CLI program was not the most cost effective method.

It states, in order to better manage Individual Combat Clothing and Equipment resources, Consolidated Issue Facilities will be established throughout the Marine Corps.

Phase One is currently underway.

Marines who are scheduled to change permanent duty stations or leave the Marine Corps must return CLI equipment to their parent commands' Organic Supply sections prior to leaving Okinawa, said to Sgt. Sovannara Sar, MCAS Futenma property chief.

Eventually, records of Marines' individual clothing and equipment and any other records remaining in organic supply will be transferred into the consolidated facilities as they come more into focus, said Sar.

Possible locations for facilities on Okinawa are camps Foster and Hansen. However, selected organic supply accounts will remain in operation where geographical location prevents being supported by a consolidated facility, added Sar.

Marines may contact their units' supply section for more details concerning their CLI.

Report off-base traffic violations at 645-3423/3887/7441/7442

Ceremonial stone dedicated in Hawaii

Cpl. Charles E. Moore

MCB Hawaii Public Affairs Office

WAIPAHU, Hawaii — Hundreds of people from throughout the Pacific gathered at the Hawaii United Okinawa Center here recently for a ceremony that marked the culmination of many Marines’ and Sailors’ efforts.

Marine Forces Pacific commanding general, Lt. Gen. Frank Libutti; Camp Hansen commander, Col. Rick Monreal; Kin, Okinawa, Mayor Katsuhiro Yoshida, and members of the Hawaii United Okinawa Association were among the guests present to see an 18-ton ceremonial stone officially dedicated in honor of the first Okinawans immigrating to Hawaii.

The ceremony capped a project that started three years ago when Yoshida asked Marines to excavate three rocks from caves on Camp Hansen, said Maj. Stuart Bracken, deputy camp commander, Camp Hansen.

The rocks and caves have special significance to the Okinawans. During the battle for Okinawa in World War II, Kin natives hid in the caves for safety. During lulls in the battle, the children would play on the rocks, Bracken said.

The rock chosen for transport to Hawaii originally weighed 22 tons, but was broken into four smaller pieces. Kin Elementary School and the Kin town office each received a piece. A third piece, which remained on Okinawa, was inscribed with the song of Kin Village. The final piece, the 18-ton ceremonial stone, was cleaned and carved with a poem by Kyuzo Toyama, who is considered the father of Okinawan emigration, Yoshida said.



CHARLES E. MOORE

Lieutenant Gen. Frank Libutti, commanding general, Marine Forces Pacific, is presented a gift from Katsuhiro Yoshida, mayor of Kin, Okinawa, recognizing the efforts of Marines and Sailors who brought an 18-ton ceremonial stone to Oahu in honor of the first Okinawans immigrating to Hawaii. Marines and Sailors helped dig the stone out of the ground in Kin, Okinawa, and transported it to Oahu in December.

Yoshida asked the Navy and Marine Corps team if they could ship the 18-ton stone, along with a 4.8-ton tomb, to Hawaii, Bracken said.

“A lot of people didn’t think we could pull this off,” Bracken said. He attributed

the success to teamwork and the “inability to let time and unforeseen circumstances get in the way.”

The ceremonial stone reached the island of Oahu Nov. 2.

“If the spirit of gung-ho came along

anywhere,” Bracken said, “it came here.”

“It was an incredible feat,” Yoshida said.

The stone’s unveiling was part of the Hawaii United Okinawa Association’s centennial celebration of Okinawan immigration.

Comm. Company begins training for Cobra Gold 2000

Sgt. Kevin E. Harris

Combat Correspondent

CAMP KINSER — Marines from 3rd Force Service Support Group’s Communications Company here recently participated in a week-long communication exercise in preparation for Cobra Gold 2000.

In addition, the purpose of the exercise was to maintain and enhance the Marines’ Military Occupational Specialties and build continuity of training within the company, according to Master Gunnery Sgt. Keith A. Sylvain, communications chief, 3rd FSSG.

To test the Marine’s readiness to deploy, their communications assets were separated at three locations on Camps Foster and Kinser. The distance between the sites helped add to the challenge. All of Communications Co. departments — wire, data, radio and headquarters — participated in the exercise.

The increased distance helped simulate a more realistic environment for the Marines to send and retrieve messages.

“During wartime situations, we, as communicators, have to make sure that we can communicate with each



SGT. KEVIN E. HARRIS

Lance Cpl. Arlene Lee, field radio operator, Communications Co., 3rd FSSG, synchronizes a radio.

other,” said Sgt. Earl Blue III, microwave operator. “This is where the training would come in handy. The Marines would know what to do in any given situation.”

For Lance Cpl. Heidi R. Dierhka, field radio wireman, monthly training is important.

“When you constantly work on your equipment, not only does it become familiar to you, operating it becomes a reflex which can be critical in vital situations,” she said

“I gain more confidence going through these exercises,” added Lance Cpl. Miguel L. Serrato, field radio operator.

The exercise was unique in that the Marines were able to cross-train with other equipment in the communications field, according to Blue. As the Marines become familiar with every piece of equipment, they make the company more efficient.



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Port ... Arms

Marines from Headquarters Company, Headquarters and Service Battalion perform drill movements during the first ever Headquarters Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, Drill Competition Jan. 13 at the Kinser Sports Complex.

Headquarters Company outperformed its opponents in the three-squad competition to claim the win with 97 out of a possible 100 points. Service and Communication companies finished second and third respectively. The drill competition will occur quarterly.



SGT. KEVIN E. HARRIS

Marine reflects on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The following essay was written by Master Gunnery Sgt. Jose Luis Trevino. He was the winner of Headquarters and Service Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. essay contest.

The idea for the essay contest came from Staff Sgt. Leonard R. Calvin, Equal Opportunity Officer, H&S Bn., 3rd FSSG. Calvin started the contest to add a different way to celebrate Rev. Martin Luther King's birthday.

According to Calvin, he wanted to provide something that would make people spend time thinking about King and what he did for our country.

Trevino was chosen from six essays submitted. He received one game of free bowling, a buy one, get one free tour from MCCS, dinner for two at any MCCS establishment, and a 72-hour liberty pass.

Mr. King, I never knew you

Mr. King, I never knew you. I never shook your hand, I never spoke to you; I never marched with you.

I never knew you, even the day that you were killed, I did not shed a tear for you. I did not even send a consolation letter to your family; I did not even send flowers to your wife.

I never knew you, Mr. King, as a brown Chicano child growing up in the farming communities of California, I was a long distance from where you lived.

Mr. King, your skin color was black, my skin color was brown.

I never knew you, Mr. King, I was not involved in your struggle, I did not feel your pain, and I did not feel the bullet that took your life.

I never knew you, as other people cried as you were lowered in your coffin, I played with other small children with much laughter in my heart. As the country mourned over your death, I can not even remember that sad day.

I never knew you, but now that I am a grown man with a family of my own, I feel your pain when other people hurt. I feel your "struggle," when I see injustice being done, I feel your "sore body" after a long march for justice. I feel your

"despair" when I think people don't care.

I never knew you, but I feel the "coldness" of your cell when you went to jail. I feel your "heartache" when I see little children abused.

I never knew you, but I feel your "anger" when I see people discriminate against other human beings because of the color of their skin. I feel the desire to launch out toward those people and hurt them physically, but I also hear "your words" of nonviolence.

I never knew you, but when things don't move quick enough to correct themselves, I sense your "patience".

I never knew you, but when I see our world in despair, I see "your dream".

I never knew you, or spoken to you, or walked with you, or even cried with you or for you.

I never knew you, but now that I see my children growing up, and the opportunities that they have, and the country that you helped create, I want to thank you personally for what you have done for "my familia".

I never knew you, but my family wants

to thank you, because you have made it possible for me to be able to provide a better life for them.

I never knew you, but I now stand where you once stood. I now feel what you once felt; I now see your "dream."

I never knew you, but I feel the same way you do that we still need a way to go.

I never knew you, but thank you for providing me the road map to follow.

I never knew you, but until your God became my God and I received a soul and conscience, I began to understand what you stood for.

I never knew you, but you are now me, and I am now you.

I never knew you, but I will cherish my life and live it to the best of my ability, because your sacrifice was not in vain for me.

I never knew you, but when the final trumpet is sounded and I stand next to you, I will thank you then personally for all that you have done for me.

I never knew you, Mr. King, until I became a man! And from man to man, thank you Mr. King.



SGT. ANGELA K. NORMAND

Lima 3/4 Marines receive award

Twelve Marines from 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines were awarded certificates of appreciation for the time they recently volunteered at a local nursery school in Nago.

Hajime Jamashiro, president of the Asunaro Nursery School, along with about 15 young students presented the Marines with framed certificates in recognition for the generosity the Marines showed by visiting the Nago City nursery's 65 children for Christmas.

"We sang carols, played with the children and presented them with gifts," said Sgt. Jeffrey D. Covington, Co. L, 3/4. "It was a lot of fun, and all of the children seemed to enjoy it."

Courts-martial REPORT III MEF/MCBJ

A corporal with Marine Wing Support Squadron-172, Marine Wing Support Group-17, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, was sentenced to 90 days confinement, reduction to E-1, and forfeiture of \$670 pay per month for three months, following a conviction by members at a special court-martial of one specification of Article 92, violation of a lawful general order, one specification of Article 128, assault consummated by a battery, and one specification of Article 134, disorderly conduct.

Alcohol-related NJPS III MEF/MCBJ

The *Okinawa Marine*, in accordance with the III MEF/MCBJ Liberty Campaign Plan, now publishes the following alcohol-related nonjudicial punishments for Jan. 9 - 15.

- Underage drinking

A lance corporal with 3rd Dental Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of underage drinking. Punishment: reduction to E-2, forfeiture of \$563 per month for two months, 30 days restriction and 45 days extra duties.

Community Briefs

Valentine’s dance

The Okinawa International Women’s Club is having a Valentine Dinner Dance on Feb. 5 at the Butler O’Club. Kelly Wright will entertain as well as the Japanese Self-Defense Air Force Band. Come out and meet the club members and learn more about the organization.

Tickets are \$25 and should be purchased by Jan. 28. Call Katina Ungerman at 646-5249 or Frances Bondi at 646-8900 for more information.

Officer selection visit

The Officer Selection Office Team will be conducting briefs and screenings on Okinawa during Jan. 26 - 28. The team assists enlisted Marines interested in becoming officers.

They will visit all camps on Okinawa. For more information, contact your unit career planner.

Leadership workshop

It’s here!The new 4 Roles of LeadershipWorkshop is now available, and it gives you the tools and knowledge to move from capable management to effective leadship.

We’re all being challenged to do more with less. Finally, there’s a workshop that really shows you how to do it. It starts with leading more and managing less so you can dedicate your energies to accomplishing your goals, not just putting out fires.

The workshop will be conducted from Jan. 31 to Feb. 2 in the CHRO Training Class Room, Camp Foster, Building 331, from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Col. W. C. Johnson, III MEF Inspector/BRI Team Leader will be the facilitator.

To register, call Mr. Joe Gutierrez at 622-0038 or e-mail your registration to gutierrezja@iiimef.usmc.mil.

MMOA visit

The following is the schedule for the MMOA Officers Assignment and Personnel Management Division visit to Okinawa.

III MEF/3rd MarDiv. - Jan. 18, 7:30 - 9 a.m. at the Courtney theater.

3rd FSSG - Jan. 19, 7:30 - 9 a.m. at the Tri Mod.

III MEF/3rd MarDiv. - Jan. 20, 7:30 - 9 a.m. at the Hansen theater.

MCB - Jan. 21, 7:30 - 9 a.m. at the Foster theater.

1st MAW will attend either at Kinser or Foster.

Job Fair Okinawa 2000

Military Overseas Recruiting Events is scheduled to hold Job Fair Okinawa 2000 Monday and Tuesday at the Butler Officers’ Club.

Between 25 and 30 companies are expected to participate in the job fair which is designed as a source for separating and retiring Marines, Sailors and family members to obtain information for a successful transition to the civilian community.

All-Marine wrestling trials

The All-Marine wrestling trials are scheduled for Feb. 1 through Mar. 14 at Marine Corps Base Quantico.

Funding for travel of qualified Marines is available from Semper Fit, Headquarters Marine Corps. Marines interested in participating must send a resume to HQMC Personnel and Family Readiness Division, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, 3280 Russell Rd., Quantico Va. 22134-5103.

Resumes must include wrestling experience, number and results of matches. Resumes must also include a command endorsement stating that the Marine is available to attend.

School bus office relocation

The Okinawa School Bus Office has been relocated. The new facility is Building 5821 on Camp Foster, located on 6th Marine Division Rd. All bus monitors are requested to report to the new facility.

For more information, call 645-2036/7820.

2000 Okinawa Marathon

The 2000 Okinawa Marathon is scheduled for Feb. 20. Applications are now being accepted.

To receive an application or for more information, contact your military installation’s fitness facility.

ICW luncheon

The International Christian Women have scheduled a luncheon for today at 10:45 a.m. in the Butler Officers’ Club. If interested in attending, contact Helen at 926-2263, or Nikki at 646-6595.

NNOA Golf Tournament

The National Naval Officers Association is sponsoring a Valentine’s golf tournament Feb. 14. Registration deadline is Feb. 4, and the fee is \$30 including cart and green fees.

For information, contact 1stLt. Halyard at 645-9254.

Women’s softball forum

A women’s softball forum is scheduled at 10 a.m. tomorrow at the Four Diamonds Sports Complex. The forum is designed to recruit experienced and dedicated softball players. Bring equipment to play.

For more information, call Shelli Henderson at 633-2006.

USO Golf fundraiser

The USO Friendship Charity Golf Tournament is scheduled for Jan. 28 at Kadena Golf Course. The fee is \$45 for SOFA status personnel and ¥13,000 for non-SOFA participants. Proceeds from this tournament benefit military personnel stationed Okinawa. Register at

the Kadena USO. For more information, call 633-0438.

Korean furniture sale

There will be a Korean furniture sale sponsored by the Kubasaki High School Senior Class of 2000. Proceeds benefit the “Project Graduation” and Varsity Soccer Team. The sale is Feb. 26 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Feb 27 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Bechtel Elementary School Gym, Camp McTureous. Your support will help give seniors a safe, fun and memorable graduation. For more information, call Mark at 645-3614.

Support, referee, play soccer

If you are 16-years-old or older, and are interested in playing, refereeing or supporting soccer on Okinawa, contact Barnes at 622-5237 or Sam at sam10ref@konnnect.net, Conrad on Kadena at conrad.marshall@kadena.af.mil, or for the women’s league, contact Amy at mccambridgeae@mcbbutler.usmc.mil.

Kanda’s Gallery art show and sale

Kanda’s Gallery B.O.Q. is hosting an art show and sale Feb. 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the Kubaskai High School Project Graduation.

For more information and a map to the event, call Ms. Bondi at 646-8900 or Al Yturalde at 645-9694.

Paintball Tournament

Paintball is an exciting, fun sport. Playing paintball gives you the chance to shake off your day-to-day responsibilities and rekindle your spirit of adventure. When the adrenaline starts pumping, you can’t help but love the thrill of the game.

Come join in the fun with this five person speedball tournament played in round-robin format. This event will be held Feb. 20. Gates open 7-8 a.m. only. There will be a rules briefing at 8 a.m. and games begin at 9 a.m. A maximum of 16 teams will be accepted for this event. Registration must be completed by Feb. 15 at Kadena Outdoor Recreation. Tournament fee is \$20 per player, or with semi gun rental, \$30 per player.

Free hot dogs/beverages and t-shirts will be available for participants. For more information, call Outdoor Recreation at 634-3689.

Key Volunteer Network training

The Key Volunteer Network is a family readiness program that provides the command with a personal link to its families. Basic Training is scheduled for tomorrow and Jan. 29 for 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Camp Foster American Red Cross, Building 5674.

To register for this session or for any other information on Key Volunteers, contact 645-2841/3689.

Nago Cherry Blossom Festival

The cherry blossoms bloom on Okinawa before they do anywhere else in Japan. Come out for a fun-filled day of food, shopping and the “Nago Sakura Matsuri” - the Nago Cherry Blossom Festival. Sponsored by Army Community Service’s Okinawa Cultural Enrichment Program, the trip will be Jan. 28 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The trip is open to everyone, but registration must be completed by Jan. 28.

For more information, call Yvonne Heim at 644-4116.

Kadena Investment Study Group

Learn more about investing! We discuss the stock market, bonds, mutual funds, taxes, etc. The meetings are open to everyone islandwide and are held at the Kadena Family Support Center on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month from 3-5 p.m.

For more information, call 633-1565/5465.

To submit a brief ...

The Okinawa Marine accepts briefs for non-profit organizations and groups only. Briefs are run on space-available and time-priority basis. Deadline for briefs is noon Friday. The Okinawa Marine reserves the right to edit to fit space. Submit briefs by faxing to 645-3803, or send an e-mail to angusrj@mcbbutler.usmc.mil.

Ribbons serve as more than window dressing

You know, sometimes we get so used to having great people around us we forget just how lucky we are to have them on our left and right flank at work each day. Maybe even more unfortunate is the fact that because we in senior leadership positions work so closely with them, we overlook the service that they have given our country in the earlier times of their careers coming up through the ranks.

We have a tendency to look at senior officers and staff noncommissioned officers and see the ribbons on their chests. But often we fail to realize each and every pretty colored ribbon worn on their left breast tells a story about that Marine's past and the sacrifices made for our country and our Corps — who they are and the life experiences which prepared them for the positions of leadership they now hold. It is those formative years in the Marine Corps and the things that they have seen and done that made them the Marines and leaders they are today.

Sometimes there is a tendency for younger Marines to look at their senior leaders and think that all sergeants majors or master gunnys came in the Corps at those ranks — that maybe somehow Marines like Sgt. Maj. Donald McGowan, the III MEF sergeant major, or Lt. Gen. Bruce Knutson, the I MEF commanding general, came in the Corps as sergeants major or lieutenant generals. Well, I can assure you that is not true. Each and every one of us who has the honor to wear the uniform of a United States Marine started our careers the exact same way -- as boot privates at Parris Island or San Diego or on the fields at Quantico. For every stripe, bar or star Marines wear on their sleeves or collars and every ribbon they wear, there is a story. That is what I would like to talk to you about this week.

The other day I was in Sgt. Maj. Steve Mellinger's office at Marine Corps Base Hawaii interviewing some new drivers for the commanding general when I happened to notice that Sgt. Maj. Mellinger had a book in

his office about the 24th Marine Amphibious Unit. (For those of you who are too young to remember, in 1983, the 24th MAU, as it was called then, had 218 Marines killed while on peacekeeping duty by a suicidal terrorist who drove a truck filled with explosives into the MAU headquarters in Beirut, Lebanon.) I remarked to him that I remember that day and we both spoke of what a terrible act it was to lose so many good Marines to such a cowardly attack. To my surprise, Sgt. Maj. Mellinger then told me he had been the Weapons Platoon sergeant of Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, 8th Marines that fateful morning and that he remembers the blast as though it were yesterday. As I asked him some questions about what happened, it dawned on me I have known Sgt. Maj. Mellinger for more than 20 years. We served together on the Drill Field in the early '70s when we were both much younger. I had seen him in uniform many times, but I never took the time to ask him about the decorations he wore and how he had earned all the ribbons he so proudly wears.

Another very highly decorated Marine who seldom speaks of how he earned those decorations is our Commanding General, Lt. Gen. Frank Libutti. Again, many people see him only as the commanding general of Marine Forces Pacific, but once he was 2ndLt. Frank Libutti, platoon commander of a platoon of Marines in Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, 9th Marines during Operation Buffalo in the Republic of Vietnam. It was during that operation that he was wounded three times in only a couple of days on his way to earning this nation's third highest medal for heroism, the Silver Star.

My point in writing about these two Marines is not to embarrass them because they are both very modest men, but to remind the younger Marines in the Force of the quiet heroes.

The Marine Corps' reputation was won on the battlefield with blood — not in Washington with words or slick

advertising. It was won with the blood and the sweat and courage of Marines such as Lt.Gen. Libutti, Sgt. Maj. Mellinger, retired Medal of Honor Recipient Sgt. Maj. Allan Kellogg, the 218 Marines who died in Beirut, the Marines who were lost off the coast of Camp Pendleton a few weeks ago, and the millions more just like them who have given their lives in peace and war so our country could live in freedom since Nov. 10, 1775.

Our senior Marines have been around a long time and have seen things that I know they hope you never will. Never think that just because their hair is a bit gray or they don't run as fast as they used to that they don't know what's going on. Believe me, those Marines have crossed the Rubicon many times in their careers and those pretty colored ribbons are more than just window dressing on their uniforms.

Marines, if we ever forget our past, fail to give the respect due our Marine Corps, or forget those who have given their lives so that our nation's people can live as free men and women, we as a Corps will surely fade away. It is our link to the past that gives us the strength for the future. As we start this new century, I ask all of you to occasionally take a few minutes to ask some of your leaders about the decorations they wear and how they earned them. I promise you they will not give you a hard time, and they might even be flattered that you took the time to ask and learn something. I ask you all to remember the Marines who are no longer with us and honor their memory by trying to be the best Marine you can be. By talking to your leaders and remembering our dead you will be learning a great deal about your Corps history and, much more, you will be learning a lot about our quiet heroes. Have a safe year and as always, Semper Fi.

Sgt. Maj. Robert J. Holub
Sgt. Maj. Marine Forces Pacific

Laundry room etiquette is important in barracks

It never fails. Regardless of the date and time I choose to do my laundry, I am continuously met with a challenge. Whether it be finding a machine that works or getting my clothes completely through a cycle before it is interrupted, it has become nearly impossible to do my laundry.

I begin with good intentions. I try to choose a time of day when I won't have to battle for washer space. I am too lazy to separate my colors, so I usually only have one load. So, I start my load, close the lid and head back to my room, confident it will be an easy task.

Twenty-five minutes later, when the load should be washed, rinsed, spun and done, I head back to the laundry room. My face turns bright red and my blood pressure shoots through the roof when I find the lid to my machine up and my clothes sitting in a half-full tub of water.

Usually, I look around, as if the perpetrator would be sitting nearby laughing. I close the lid to try again. However, the last time this happened to me, I stopped to think

about it. From what I've seen during my time on this island, each laundry room has three to four washers and three to four dryers.

Now, I understand that usually, one of the washers or dryers is broken or just really slow. Also, depending on what day of the week field day falls on, the night before and weekends are really bad times to try to accomplish any type of clothes washing.

So, I try to choose a time of day when hardly anyone needs to wash.

Now, we've all been in the position where we've had to wait in line to wash or dry. We've all had to move someone's clothes out of the machine when their things are finished, just to help things move along. Keep in mind, "helping" does not include opening the lid to a working washer and not putting it back down or pressing the start button. It also does not mean you should open the dryer door and stop the load. When those things happen, you not only set back the person doing their laundry

at that time, but you also set yourself behind. By the time that person comes down to the laundry room, sees what has happened, and restarts their laundry, a good chunk of time has passed.

Doing laundry takes time. Like everything else in the Marine Corps, getting your clothes clean takes teamwork. A machine has yet to be invented that can wash and dry clothes in less than five minutes. It is alright to check a machine being used to see if the load is finished, but if it isn't done, close the lid and press start. Also, if the laundry in the dryer isn't COMPLETELY dry, and by completely, I mean not damp, not dripping and not in the least bit moist, leave it in there until it is.

Keep in mind, you are sharing the laundry room with other people. The more considerate of them you are, the less likely your laundry will end up in a wet heap on top of the dryer.

Cpl. Sharon M. Davis
Combat Correspondent

STREET TALK

"Who is your favorite superhero and why?"



"Superman, because he can pick up cars."



"Batman, because he can fly."



"Spiderman, because he has a web that he can shoot out."



"I don't have a favorite superhero, I only believe in God."

Zac J. Wright,
2nd grader,
Zukeran
Elementary
School

Kevin A.
Slauther, 2nd
grader, Zukeran
Elementary
School

Ryan J.
Kowalsky, 2nd
grader, Zukeran
Elementary
School

Ashley E.
Merritt, 2nd
grader, Zukeran
Elementary
School

MLC/IHA employees honored at ceremony

Sgt. Nathaniel T. Garcia

Combat Correspondent

CAMP FOSTER — Sixty-one Marine Corps Base Master Labor Contract/Indirect Hire Agreement employees retired Dec. 15 during a ceremony here at the Butler Officers' Club.

Each retiree received a certificate for dedicated ser-

vice by Brig. Gen. Gary H. Hughey, commanding general, MCB. A ceremonial cake was cut and a meal was served for the occasion.

Families and co-workers gathered together to show their appreciation and gratitude for the retirees.

"It is the dedication of these employees that binds us together as a community," said Jerry Bartling, training officer, Civilian Human Resources Office.

The MLC/IHA employees have a mandatory retirement at 60. Every year the official dates of retirement are set for Jun. 30 and Dec. 31.

The total length of service achieved by all 61 retirees is 1,275 years and 9 months. Shosei Goya, facility engineer, Courtney Maintenance Detachment, who retired with 42 years and 5 months achieved the greatest length of service after retiring at 42 years and 5 months.

Goya was transferred to the Marine Corps July 5, 1961 from the Army where he worked as a postal engineer.

While employed at Camp Courtney, he was a boiler worker. After he arrived at Courtney, Goya was transferred temporarily to Kadena Air Base to do water purification work. Later, he returned to Camp Courtney where he finally stayed until retirement.

"It wasn't hard work, because I enjoy working with my hands," said Goya. "So when I start getting into it, it doesn't seem like work at all."

"I am proud of the fact that I have worked for 42 years and still have good health," he said.

However, Goya, who is originally from Nakagusuku Village, Okinawa, is planning to take a year off of work to relax. He plans to visit his daughter on mainland Japan, fish, and travel to Hawaii and other small islands surrounding Okinawa during his vacation.

For Goya, the year-long vacation from a long dedicated career with the Marine Corps will be nice to receive, but it is not the end for him.

After his vacation, Goya plans to go back to work. This time however, he plans to do work related to fishing.

Goya has fond memories of having supervisors who spoke Japanese. They were able to bring together the two cultures and make an enjoyable work environment.



SGT. NATHANIEL T. GARCIA

Brigadier Gen. Hughey presents MLC/IHA retirees with their retirement certificates at the ceremony.

Brig staff keeps watchful eye over inmates

Lance Cpl. Zachary A. Crawford

Combat Correspondent

CAMP HANSEN — The Marine Corps Brig here houses inmates who are serving a sentence of one year or less. Servicemembers who are convicted and sentenced to one through five years serve their time at either the brig at Camp Pendelton, Calif., or Camp Lejeune, N.C. Those serving more than five years are incarcerated at the United States Disciplinary Barracks, Ft. Leavenworth, Kans.

"The Marine Corps is a fish bowl of society," said Master Gunnery Sgt. Marion I. Kelley Jr., brig warden. "Just like society, there are some people in the Corps who, unfortunately, get into trouble."

The brig houses 45 inmates. It has a staff of 67 mili-

tary members from the Marine Corps, Air Force and Navy. Japanese and American civilians also work at the brig.

Four Navy corpsmen on staff take care of the medical needs for both inmates and on-staff personnel. They also have their own administrative section, social worker, chowhall and laundry.

Although the brig is self-sufficient, supplies and food must be delivered. When there is a delivery at the brig, a lengthy search is conducted on the vehicles when they arrive and before they leave.

"Safety and security is paramount here at the brig," said Kelley. "We have a great staff that is highly trained on safety and precautionary measures."

For security, there are several control stations around the brig, and a switchboard that controls everything that

goes on. From doors and fire alarms to lights and windows, the control board operators can operate the security of the brig from inside a self-contained booth. They can lock down every door in the brig at once if necessary.

The chow hall even takes its own safety measures when it comes to security for the brig. The spatulas, potato peelers, cooking knives and other cooking utensils are secured in a lock box that can only be opened by a staff member. The items must be logged in as they are checked out and logged back in. Each piece of silverware has an engraved serial number.

Inmates in the correctional facility attend church at the brig, take care of administrative problems, have sessions with counselors, and participate in physical activity.



LANCE CPL. SCOTT A. WHITTINGTON



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(above) Once a servicemember enters the brig, he or she stands on the "yellow footprints" and trades their camouflage uniform for the blue or orange brig uniform.

(left) A brig guard locks down the prisoners for the night.

JWTC continues to train, prepare Marines

Sgt. Nathaniel T. Garcia

Combat Correspondent

CAMP GONSALVES — Throughout a Marine's career, they will experience a variety of training, from basic training to combat schools. However, not all Marines go on to experience the training at the Jungle Warfare Training Center here.

Fifty Marines and Sailors at JWTC carry out the basic classes and practical application exercises needed to enhance the warfighting capabilities of Marines in a jungle environment.

Located on the northern tip of Okinawa, JWTC provides 20,000 acres of rugged, hilly jungle and extremely dense vegetation. This type of terrain is ideal for several different types of training.

Marines from JWTC maintain the training grounds and build small villages to enhance the training environment. The center has been preparing Marines for combat missions and operations around the world since 1958.

"The vast open areas surrounding JWTC provide a realistic, challenging environment for units to apply the skills taught at JWTC or other types of training," said Col. Lee M. Farmer, commanding officer, JWTC.

Marines from JWTC instruct and offer several types of training courses for all services, such as the Jungle Warfare Course, primarily for Marine Corps infantry battalions, the Jungle Skills Course offered to all services and reserves and the Jungle Combat Trauma Course, primarily for Navy corpsmen.

During November 1999, JWTC initiated the Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape Course.

This type of training encompasses survival training where Marines practice evading and resisting the enemy and learn to escape when the opportunity arrives.

With its vast landscape, JWTC also provides units with training areas and landing zones for independent operations. JWTC is able to provide a unique training opportunity to all services not offered anywhere else in the Department of Defense, according to III Marine Expeditionary Force's JWTC booklet.

For units interested in training at the center, Farmer recommends contacting



SGT. NATHANIEL T. GARCIA

Cpl. Bryan S. Wallgren, patrolling section leader, JWTC, gets up close to the Marines with a Golden Habu during the first aid brief. Marines from JWTC instruct and offer several types of training courses for all services.

JWTC to use training areas outside the normal JWTC programs.

With approximately 50 personnel, the JWTC staff of cooks, radio operators, engineers, infantrymen, motor transport personnel and corpsmen train more than 8,000 Marines annually in jungle warfare. Despite the work load, the center manages to remain active in the local community by opening their doors regularly to local towns and villages.

Although visiting units must provide their own logistics for operations, JWTC can stand alone with little outside support. A small battalion building provides for the needs of its personnel.

Within the building is a messhall, barracks, range control, headquarters, exchange, emergency aid station and enlisted club.

Being small and on their own brings

the JWTC members even closer as a team.

"Smaller groups offer a certain uniqueness," said Farmer. "Small-sized units work closer together. They build a better appreciation for other MOS's when they work so closely together. The program is based on group participation. They have to work together to accomplish the mission."

The personnel at JWTC have high morale because they are a "tight-knit" group, according to Cpl. Douglas M. Goodell, engi-

neer, JWTC. They all live together, they all work together and they have to depend on each other, he added.

In a remote location, the JWTC staff remains poised and ready to confront the challenges of the Marine Corps by preparing our forces for today's commitments and the challenges of the future.



SGT. NATHANIEL T. GARCIA

A JWTC instructor exposes the fangs on one of the critters to be cautious of at the training center.



CPL. JEFF WOMACK

Marines cross a rope bridge at JWTC.



SGT. KEVIN E. HARRIS

Corporal Jeremy L. Hawley, H&S Bn., 3rd FSSG, crawls under fellow students during the squad low crawl drill at the Close Combat Course.

Marines, Sailor learn art of close combat

Sgt. Kevin E. Harris

Combat Correspondent

CAMP KINSER — Not every hostile situation requires a weapon. With an increased amount of peacekeeping and non-combat missions Marines are involved in today, lethal force is not always necessary. However, controlling possible hostile situations still remains a skill for Marines to hone.

Eight Marines and a Sailor recently completed 3rd Force Service Support Group's first two-week Close Combat Instructor Trainer Course here. The course is designed to help students understand what to do in hostile situations, in addition to becoming instructors for their units.

Marines must understand lethal and

non-lethal close combat techniques needed to handle certain situations, said Sgt. Barton P. Brock, close combat instructor.

The course, which ended Jan. 14, included techniques on body sparing, counter strikes, pugil sticks, bayonets, chokes and holds, unarmed restraints and manipulations, and knife fighting.

The time spent throughout the rigorous course also offered a sense of accomplishment for the students. During the beginning stages, the students ran through an endurance test around Robert's Field here.

The test required the students to go around the field once and perform numerous close combat drills and tactical maneuvers, including punches, low crawls, sprints, kicks and tactical car-



SGT. KEVIN E. HARRIS

Corporal Jeremy L. Hawley, H&S Bn., 3rd FSSG, throws Sgt. Caesar R. Mazzeo, 3rd Materiel Readiness Bn., during the Close Combat Course.

ries.

"Going through the course not only increased my self pride, but my motivation as well," said Sgt. Caesar R. Mazzeo, 3rd Materiel Readiness Bn.

Throughout the course, safety and practical application were stressed.

"Repetition is the key to learning these techniques," said Mazzeo. "We have to learn the techniques to a point where they

become reflexes.

"Marines, as leaders, should be able to convey these techniques to the younger Marines," Mazzeo added.

For more information on the Close Combat Instructor Trainer Course, contact Sgt. Barton P. Brock at 637-1551. All applicants must be an NCO or higher, and be able to score a first class on the PFT.

3rd FSSG intelligence Marines keep watch on Pacific

Cpl. Sharon M. Davis

Combat Correspondent

CAMP KINSER — At first glance, it just looks like a gathering of Marines sitting around staring at televisions and computer screens.

However, what happens in the G-2 Logistical Intelligence section of the 3rd Force Service Support Group involves more than that.

The Marines are keeping watch on the Pacific by gathering and distributing information for 3rd FSSG.

"We collect intelligence, process it and distribute it to the commanders and staff," said Cpl. Daniel P. Smith, intelligence analyst, 3rd FSSG. "We look at things that apply specifically to 3rd FSSG."

Logistical intelligence requires analysts to examine troubled areas. They look at the terrain, weather, transportation systems and any other factors that may aid or delay possible deployments to that area.

"For example, in order to move things, we need to know water routes and if they flood, what the roads are like, if there is a usable rail system, where the bridges are and if they can support our equipment," added Dacey. "We also have to consider things like the weather and terrain, which can have a big impact on the situation."



CPL. SHARON M. DAVIS

Private First Class Robert L. Grimes, intelligence analyst, G-2, 3rd FSSG, prepares a brief for the commanding general using maps and country studies.

On deployment, these analysts would be responsible for gathering information about the area and its aggressors.

The job is critical to the movement of Marines and equipment, according to

Dacey.

"We would do a thorough background study to make sure every Marine is aware of what to expect," said Smith. "In a sense, we prepare the beans, bullets and

band-aids."

"Our focus is outward," added Dacey. "We study Situation, Position, Operation and Terrain, or SPOT reports, to get an idea. We have to watch everything from the forward area of the battlefield back to where the goods come ashore."

In addition to being watchdogs, the unit is also responsible for briefing the general on happenings throughout the area. They are only allotted a certain amount of time for each brief, so they must disseminate the large amounts of information gathered each day into a precise, five-minute brief, according to Pfc. Robert L. Grimes, intelligence analyst, G-2, 3rd FSSG.

"On any given week, we may have to give two to three briefs," said Grimes. "We have to constantly let them know what's going on in the world. We put a tremendous amount of work into this."

Accomplishing the mission requires many hours of work for the intelligence Marines, according to Dacey.

"We're in here before the sun comes up and we don't leave until it goes down," said Dacey. "Even during peacetime we're on constant watch."

"The information we get is like a puzzle," added Smith. "We're always working to take it apart and put it back together again."



COURTESY PHOTO

Marines from Co. I, 3/4, practice small boat raids with the help of Marines from III MEF's Special Operations Training Group.

India 3 / 4 moves Forward from the sea . . .

Cpl. Abigail B. LaBin

Combat Correspondent

KIN BLUE BEACH, Okinawa — The average infantry battalion on a Unit Deployment Program rotation to Okinawa can count on plenty of practice in traditional types of infantry assault.

Conducting a few attacks they hump to, a few they truck to, and maybe even a few they take a helicopter to.

One company had the opportunity to learn a new way of getting to the fight recently, when Special Operations Training Group, III MEF, shared an adapted version of their small boat raid package with the Marines of Co. I., 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines.

"This was a course we put together because they were looking for some more training," said Capt. Stanley D. Holland, assistant officer in charge, amphibious operations,

SOTG.

Small boat raid training is not normally a part of the UDP schedule, but according to the Marines of Co. I., 3/4, it was a welcome change from the normal routine and a valuable learning experience.

"I've never done anything like it before," said Sgt. Eric N. Wilcox, squad leader, Co. I., 3/4. "Small boat training is usually reserved for recon types, but it really brought morale up for my guys. It was just a lot different from patrolling in the jungle, and everybody was really excited about that."

The training evolution lasted three days on the beach here.

On the first day, the Marines were on

the beach testing their swimming abilities.

"It was great for small unit training," Wilcox observed. "Since there are only six positions in each boat, everybody got to rotate through each one."

The second day of the evolution found the Marines preparing for a mission.

They were presented a Tactical Recovery of Aircraft and Personnel (TRAP) mission that required a raid on Camp Courtney. They devoted the day of training to it.

The package ended with a raid, which took the Marines across eight miles of water to Camp Courtney.

"Their raid was flawless," said Wilcox.

"They did an outstanding job, and executed it perfectly."

The Marines of Co. I may never find themselves using their small-boat skills in normal infantry operations, but should the time come, they will be ready.

Evolution of Marine Corps Raiders

- **First Separate Battalion designated as the 1st Marine Raider Battalion on Feb 16, 1942. The Battalion was commanded by Lt. Col. Merritt A. Edson and was composed of six companies.**
- **The battalion conducted its first assault landing on Tulagi Island, British Solomon Islands Aug. 7, 1942.**
- **Battalion participates in battle for Guadalcanal in August 1942.**
- **1st Marine Raider Regiment organized at Espiritu Santo, New Hebrides Islands. Regiment composed of Headquarters and Service, 1st 2nd, 3rd, 4th Raider Battalions March 15, 1943.**
- **1st Raider Battalion redesignated 1st Battalion 4th Marine Regiment Feb. 1, 1944.**



AAFES Bakery: boosts eaters morale with doughnuts, cookies, cakes

Lance Cpl. Micheal O. Foley

Combat Correspondent

CAMP KINSER — Chances are that if someone has eaten a meal on a military installation on Okinawa, they have eaten something made at the Army/Air Force Exchange Service Bakery here.

The bakery's products are found in commissaries, shoppettes, messhalls, schools, snack bars, and fast food restaurants. When people think of a bakery, they may picture workers baking bread, cookies and cakes. At the AAFES bakery, they do much more.

"We make a wide variety of products here," said Keith F. Mills, AAFES Bakery plant manager. We do all pastries such as cookies, cakes, pies, doughnuts, Danish pastries, and the individually wrapped cookies at the dining facilities."

The AAFES bakery also makes tortillas and tortilla chips, pizza dough for pizza restaurants, bread for sub shops and items for other facilities as well.

Distributing products to so many places around the island keeps the plant busy. Inside the plant is a dizzying jungle of purring machines, whizzing conveyor belts, scorching ovens and frigid freezers.

Different areas of the bakery are devoted to making pastries, cakes, pizza crusts, tortillas and chips, but the two biggest areas involve making buns and loaves of bread. The facility produces 18 different kinds of bread and 12 different kinds of buns.

In most aspects of the bakery, machines do all the work, leaving little chance for human error. Nothing is burned because the oven is set for exact time and temperature. Every product is the correct size because machines ensure every piece of dough is cut into the right size for the product.

"Everything is based on time and temperature," said Mills.

The machines may do all the physical work, but the 77 plant workers are needed to ensure they are functioning properly.

Although the bakery is on warehouse row on Camp Kinser, Mills strives to make the bakery a community asset.

"We have a very nice working relationship with Camp Kinser camp services, the civil engineers neighboring us, and Camp Kinser as a whole," said Mills. "We attend the townhall meetings and get feedback from the community and we get a lot of comments from the commissaries, and sometimes, the customers themselves."

Another way the bakery meshes with the community



LANCE CPL. MICHEAL O. FOLEY

Yoshihiko Zukeyama, AAFES Bakery worker, prepares pizza crusts by rolling them into balls.

is by offering tours of the facility. The Department of Defense Dependent Schools on Okinawa often visit the bakery to tour the facility. The children see how the different products are made and also sample them.

The Kinser messhall sends cooks to the facility occa-

sionally for on-the-job training, according to Mills.

Although many DoD personnel on Okinawa may not have known it existed, the AAFES Bakery on Camp Kinser has produced much of the food they are eating.



LANCE CPL. MICHEAL O. FOLEY

Kathy Rutledge, AAFES Bakery worker, fills Danish pastries with fruit filling at the bakery.



LANCE CPL. MICHEAL O. FOLEY

Fujiko Zukeran, AAFES Bakery worker, ensures each doughnut gets the proper amount of glaze.

Storm reigns on Crushers



STAFF SGT. JASON J. BORTZ

The Bang Crushers had to rely on the running game after their first four passes were intercepted by the Storm.

Lance Cpl. Pete Voss

Combat Correspondent

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION FUTENMA — The Marine Corps Base, Headquarters and Service Battalion Storm stomped the Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron-1 Bang Crushers 18-8 recently at the Camp Foster flag football championship.

Even though both teams will move on to the islandwide tournament, playing the

best of three championship was good practice for both teams.

“This is the first time this team has played together,” said James B. Newberry, assistant coach, MWHS-1 Bang Crushers. “We plan to have a good showing here and use this practice for an even better showing at the islandwide (tournament),” he said before the first game.

In the first game the Storm showed the benefit of practicing together by de-

feating the Bang Crushers.

With their strong defense, H&S Bn. intercepted the first four passes thrown by MWHS-1. A strong running game helped the Storm dominate from the start, taking an 18-0 lead at halftime.

The Bang Crushers’ defense improved and used a late game rally to score their only points, but eventually lost 24-8.

As if inspired by H&S Bn.’s name, the field quickly turned to mud as a torrential downpour moved over the base, as the second game started. Showing true football dedication, both teams continued to play hard despite the weather.

The Bang Crushers, using experience from the first game, began to play more as a team in the second game. “Our defense came together,” said Kevin O. Cochran, training NCO, S-3, MWHS-1.

However, H&S Bn. didn’t let up and won the game 18-8 by continuing their relentless ground game.

“This will be our year,” said Michael R. Harris, H&S Storm head coach. Headquarters and Service Bn. has finished second in the last four islandwide tournaments.

Both teams will advance to the islandwide tournament Jan 26-30.



STAFF SGT. JASON J. BORTZ

The Storm defense chases down a Bang Crusher runner.

Camp Hansen hosts 3rd annual MLK run

Lance Cpl. Scott Whittington

Combat Correspondent

CAMP HANSEN —A melting pot of Marines and Sailors here gathered together in celebration of Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King Jr.

The servicemembers, numbering approximately 2,500, participated in 3rd Camp Hansen Martin Luther King Day Unity Run around the camp.

“The turnout was impressive,” said Master Gunnery Sgt. Maurice A. Jones, equal opportunity officer, 9th Engineering Support Battalion.

The formation stretched more than a quarter mile and its cadences could be heard from the opposite side of the camp. Upon completion of the run, the various units indulged in several donated boxes of oranges.

Other servicemembers stopped and watched the chanting formation. Even some who were inside their rooms emerged to locate the origin of the numerous voices.

Pacific Force, Rebels capture MLK basketball tourney title

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams

Combat Correspondent

Men’s

CAMP FOSTER – It took two tries to do so, but Marine Corps Community Services’ Pacific Force finally defeated The Firm, an open team from Okinawa, 88 – 75 to win the Camp Foster Pacific-wide Martin Luther King, Jr. Basketball Tournament at the Foster Fieldhouse here Monday.

Five Pacific Force players, led by Ray Jackson with 20 points, scored double figures. Jackson, the tournament’s most valuable player, helped lift his team over The Firm for its second consecutive MLK Tournament championship.

After dropping the first game of the championship in the double elimination tournament 89–92, Pacific Force proved they were a force to be reckoned with by jumping all over The Firm 21–8 early in the first half of the championship rematch.

However, The Firm battled back, slowly cutting into the lead behind the solid play of Kevin Cochran, who led all scorers with 27.

Cochran rained in jumpers and sliced his way to the bucket for 17 first half points, helping The Firm pull to within three late in the first half.

That would be as close as The Firm would ever get, as they seemed to run out of gas during their third hard-fought game of the day. A 9–5 run by Pacific Force before the half gave them a 36–29 lead.

Pacific Force controlled the second

half, leading by as many as 15, answering every run The Firm could muster, as the lead never dipped below five.

“We didn’t let up,” said Tyrone McCreary, who helped spark Pacific Force in the second half. “That’s not the type of team we are. We decided to not let up. We decided to push it.”

In the first game, Pacific Force had similar control in the second half, leading The Firm with under 4 minutes to play after Torrence Moody hit an incredible fade away three pointer as the 35 second shot clock expired.

The Firm suddenly exploded, sparked by a three-point play by Phillip Moss The Firm scored 14 straight points, taking a 91–87 lead when D. Fields sank two free throws with 29 seconds remaining.

McCreary answered with two free throws for Pacific Force, cutting the lead to two with about 12 seconds to play.

Spencer Rutledge added another free throw and Pacific Force missed two three-point attempts in the final 5 seconds, giving The Firm the win and forcing the rematch.



Women’s

CAMP FOSTER – Taruna Lloyd poured in 23 points to lead all scorers as the Yongsan Lady Rebels defeated the Rebels, an open team from Okinawa, 89–

61, in the 9th Annual Camp Foster Pacific-wide Martin Luther King Jr. Basketball Tournament here Monday.

It was a balanced team effort with 10 different players contributing to the win. Three players hit double figures, while the bench contributed 35 points to lift the Lady Rebels from Korea to their second consecutive MLK tournament championship.

“Every year we have to reload,” said Yongsan head coach Richard Willis. “Everyone on the team played. I have confidence in all my players and they have confidence in each other.”

The Rebels kept the game close early. After falling behind by seven early in the first half, the Rebels generated a 8–2 run of their own, tying the game at 24 with a little under five minutes remaining in the first half.

However, Yongsan answered back just before the half, outscoring the Rebels 15–6, giving Yongsan a 39–30 lead at halftime.

“Coach calmed us down at halftime,” said Lloyd, the tournament’s most valuable player. “We just stuck together and pulled it out.”

The second half was all Yongsan. Ahead by nine with 16:30 left to play, Yongsan went on a 12–3 run, taking a commanding 58–40 lead with 13:07 remaining.

A lead they would build into a 28 point victory, sending a message.

“We are the Yongsan Lady Rebels,” Willis said. “There are no other Lady Rebels.”

The Marketplace



Automobiles/ motorcycles

1989 Nissan — JCI Feb 01, \$3,500 OBO, **1989 Toyota Corona** — JCI Apr 01, \$2,500 OBO. 622-6824.
1988 Toyota Van — JCI May 00, \$1,700 OBO. 637-4491.
1986 Nissan Langely — JCI Oct 00, \$750 OBO. Sgt. Pearson, 367-2001.
1991 Honda Vigor — JCI Nov 00, \$2,500 OBO. Rico, 933-9752.
1991 Honda Civic — JCI Oct 01, \$1,750. Ben, 636-2325.
1991 Nissan Van — JCI Sep 00, \$2,500 OBO. 646-6824.
1991 Toyota Carina — JCI Jun 00, \$2,000 OBO. Bill Hapgood, 645-8022.
1994 Toyota Starlet — JCI Oct 00, \$1,000 OBO, **1988 Nissan Skyline** — JCI Apr 00, \$900 OBO. 633-6092.
1987 Suzuki GSXR — JCI Dec 01, \$2,500 w/ helmet. Jon, 646-8713.
1986 Toyota Corona — JCI Nov 01, \$400. 623-5701.
Nissan Gloria — Recent JCI, \$1,700. MSgt. Crews, 645-3161 or 646-6000.
1989 Honda Accord — JCI Jun 00, \$1,500, **1988 Toyota Carina** — JCI Oct 01, \$2,000. Rob or Allison, 622-8463.
1988 Toyota Town Ace Van — JCI Oct 01, \$3,000. 645-5140.
Nissan Bluebird — JCI Aug 01, \$1,500 OBO. Grace, 645-4233 or 645-2445.
1988 Nissan Gloria — JCI May 01, \$1,000. Sgt. Shelley, 090-3320-4351.
1987 Honda 400 VFR — JCI Apr 01, \$1,000 OBO. 646-3622.
1988 Toyota Levin — JCI Dec 01, \$1,500 OBO. Gabe, 637-3514
1988 Toyota — JCI Dec 00, \$800 OBO. Patricia Frye, (W) 636-3202/3204, (H) 637-2877.
1989 Mazda RX-7 — JCI Aug 00, \$2,750 OBO. Adam, 090-7150-2025.
1986 Toyota Carib — JCI May 01, \$800. 636-4641.
1990 Nissan 300Z — JCI Oct 01, \$7,800 OBO. 622-8554 evenings.
1987 Toyota Corolla — JCI Jun 00, \$550. Ron (W)623-4624, (H)623-5600.
1987 Toyota Chaser — JCI Jun 00, \$1,000. (W)637-3384, (H)637-2587.
1990 Honda Prelude — JCI Sep 01, \$2,000 OBO. Nick, 646-3618.



Miscellaneous

Computers — Zenith Pentium Computers. 100 MHz, \$350. 83 MHz, \$300, 66 MHz, \$200. 646-8997.
Misc. — Canon Rebel camera, \$225. Various baby items including swing, bouncy car, sleepers, etc. 973-9277.
Computer — Laptop computer AMD K6-2 300 MHz, \$1,300 OBO. 932-1687.
Misc. — Dress blue blouse and cover w/ button holes and brass, \$75 OBO. Hard to find Beanie Babies. 932-1687.
Misc. — American refrigerator, \$200 OBO. 646-3622.
Misc. — Display card, Banshee V3200 AGP 16MB, \$80. David, 646-3636, or DAVSIMM@konnnect.net
Treadmill — Motorized Vitamaster, \$175. 637-3710.
Satellite receiver — MAS-PRO satellite receiver and tuner, \$200. (W) 645-2983, (H) 936-7168.
Bassinet/playpen — Graco bassinet/playpen, \$75. Medela electric breast pump, \$175. Cheryl, 622-8661.
Misc. — Sofa, Bassett with pull-out bed, almost new \$300. 636-431 5
Misc. — Super Nintendo w/ accessories and 5 games, \$50. 893-2987.
Misc. — Pioneer K101 (Karaoke, DVD, CD, VCD), \$380. 646-4156.
Wanted — Trampoline and/or swing set. 646-4509.
JVC Cyber Cam Digital Camcorder — PC direct connection, new, \$850 OBO. 934-0394 after 7 p.m.
Piano — Newly refurbished interior, \$1,500 OBO. 622-5379.
Grill — George Foreman's Lean Mean Fat Reducing Grilling Machine, new in box, duplicate Christmas gift, \$50 OBO. Jennifer, 622-8412.
Computer — Compaq Presario 1260, 4 GB HD, 64 MB RAM, 333 MHZ, 24x CD ROM, BJC-50 Printer, both for \$1,500. LCpl. Moth, 645-7135.
Computer parts — LCD TFT 17" monitor, \$700; Cambridge Micro-Works speakers, \$150; Cambridge Sound-Works speakers, \$100; Sound Blaster Live Value Card. 622-6820.

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Butler (645-3465)

Fri The Galaxy Quest (PG); 6:30, 9:30
Sat Superstar (PG13); 1:00
Sat The Galaxy Quest (PG); 6:30; 9:30
Sun The Bachelor (PG13); 1:00
Sun House on Haunted (R); 4:00, 7:00
Mon House on Haunted (R); 7:00
Tue Superstar (PG13); 7:00
Wed The Bachelor (PG13); 7:00
Thu Man on the Moon (R); 7:00

Courtney (622-9616)

Fri Random Hearts (R); 7:00
Sat Love Stinks (R); 7:00
Sun Man on the Moon (R); 6:00
Mon CLOSED
Tue CLOSED
Wed On Any Given Sunday (R); 7:00

Futenma (636-3890)

Fri The Story of Us (R); 7:30
Sat Love Stinks (R); 7:30
Sun Crazy in Alabama (PG13); 7:30
Mon On Any Given Sunday (R); 7:30
Tue CLOSED
Wed The Galaxy Quest (PG); 7:30

Hansen (623-4564)

Fri The Green Mile (R); 6:30, 9:30

Sat The Best Man (R); 6:30
Sat The Green Mile (R); 9:30
Sun The Green Mile (R); 2:00
Sun House on Haunted (R); 5:30, 8:30
Mon House on Haunted (R); 7:00
Tue Superstar (PG13); 7:00
Wed Superstar (PG13); 7:00
Thu The Bachelor (PG13); 7:00

Keystone (634-1869)

Fri On Any Given Sunday (R); 7:30
Sat Superstar (PG13); 1:00
Sat On Any Given Sunday (R); 4:30, 9:00
Sun Superstar (PG13); 2:00
Sun House on Haunted (R); 5:00, 8:30
Mon Man on the Moon (R); 2:00, 7:00
Tue The Bachelor (PG13); 7:00
Wed The Bachelor (PG13); 7:00
Thu The Galaxy Quest (PG); 7:00

Kinser (637-2177)

Fri Man on the Moon (R); 7:00
Sat Superstar (PG13); 3:00
Sat Man on the Moon (R); 7:00, 11:30
Sun House on Haunted (R); 7:00
Tue Superstar (PG13); 7:00
Wed House on Haunted (R); 7:00
Thu The Bachelor (PG13); 7:00

Schwab (625-2333)

Fri Random Hearts (R); 7:00
Sat Random Hearts (R); 6:00, 9:00
Sun Love Stinks (R); 7:00
Mon Love Stinks (R); 7:00
Tue Man on the Moon (R); 7:00
Wed Man on the Moon (R); 7:00
Thu Crazy in Alabama (PG13); 7:00

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